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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS—"Changes" for standing advertisements must be handed in at the office before 11 a.m. of the day the "Change" is desired to appear.

HUGHES REPUDIATED

Grand Lodge of Ontario West Repudiates the Address of Grand Master Hughes.

Difficulty of an Orangeman Trying to Serve Two Masters Exemplified.

London, March 4.—The Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West is meeting here. There is a big attendance and the feeling runs high over the Manitoba issue. Grand Master Hughes, who says he is not a candidate for re-election, added fuel to the flames by which he said nothing in condemnation of the remedial bill. He says the legislature which passed the law causing a grievance to the minority should have tried to find a reasonable remedy for the grievance when its existence was pointed out by the privy council. The grand master's address was referred to a committee, which, it is said, will probably bring in a resolution favoring a national secular school as the only remedy for the difficulty attending the teaching of religion in schools.

London, Ont., Mar. 5.—The committee to which was referred the report of Grand Master Hughes reported in particularly adverse terms. It declared the Grand Master's remarks on the Manitoba school question to be a special pleading. Regret was expressed that an attempt was made in the address to give the impression that the legislature of Manitoba had refused to render justice to a supposedly injured minority of the province. It further protests that the followers of Orange principles, as represented in the Grand Lodge, don't need to be lectured on tolerance and justice, and that repeated exhortations to that effect in an address are unnecessary. The committee finally assert that the present danger to Protestant and British interests in Canada is so imminent that no word or act should appear in the proceedings that could weaken the arm being raised in defence of national schools in Manitoba, and therefore asks the Grand Lodge to repudiate every sentence, line and word in the address that tends to put Manitoba in the wrong or to justify coercion by the federal parliament. The report of the committee on the Grand Master's address caused a lot of discussion, but was adopted by a majority.

William Lockhart, of Alliston, was elected Grand Master and the Grand Lodge adjourned at midnight.

FIRE IN HOLLAND.

A Disastrous Conflagration To-day in Apersden, South Holland.

Amsterdam, March 5.—A terrible conflagration has been in progress during the past twenty-four hours at Apersden, South Holland. Several churches, the postoffice and fifty buildings are already destroyed, and the fire is still raging. The firemen no longer check its advance in one direction than it takes away in another. Great numbers of people have been rendered homeless.

—Mother writes: "No trouble now getting the children to attend in their teeth, they like Odoroma so much."

THE NEWS SUPPRESSED

General Weyler's Press Censorship Works Perfectly in Havana—All Channels Choked.

Very Few People in Cuba Know the News of the Action of Congress.

And Those Who Do Dare Not Whisper It to Their Neighbors for Fear of Torture.

Havana, March 5.—It is no doubt wondered why some demonstration is not being made here upon the announcement of the action taken by both branches of congress, but the truth is that the news has been suppressed by the Spanish general and his press censors. Gen. Weyler has so gagged and choked all mediums of conveying intelligence to the people of this island that not one in a hundred and hardly one in a thousand knows that the house of representatives has passed a resolution expressing sympathy for Cuba and acknowledging her belligerency. The publication of this news would no doubt create a furor and such mad scenes would be enacted in the streets of Havana as to strike terror to the hearts of the boldest.

The leading newspapers of this city today appeared without a line of news from Washington, and scarcely an item from the United States, except a line announcing the indictment of the captain of the filibustering steamer Horat. The release of the Bermuda has been kept out of the papers. Nobody here knows of the congressional action except from private sources of information. They dare not tell it, except in confidence, for fear some spy would betray them and they would be liable to arrest, imprisonment, torture and conviction without trial for treasonable utterances. There is no telling what will follow when the news does finally get abroad, for look out it must and will, though Gen. Weyler is doing all in his power to dam the leaks. To the insurgents, of course, this news would bring encouragement at a time dearly needed. For, despite the successes which these desperately determined men have achieved, their ardor is somewhat dimmed by the insecurity of their position. With their knowledge of the cruelty of the general with whom they have to contend, the long experience of hardships borne in this war, and the memory of another war ten times as long, unsuccessfully ended, it is no easy matter to keep one's courage always to the sticking place when being pushed hither and thither by pursuing troops of far greater numerical strength, well equipped, provisioned and recruited. The prospect of getting more recruits, more money and more ammunition, to enlarge the strength of the opposing forces would be so inspiring as to make these brave fellows fight with ten times more ardor than ever. The effect on the citizens of Havana would be not less electrical. Those who now sympathize with the rebels, but dare not express their feelings, knowing the surveillance over them, would come out into the open in such numbers as to appal the Spanish officials. Those who are in doubt and hesitancy which cause to postpone would waver no longer. They are perhaps the largest proportion of the population, anxious to be on the triumphant side, and ready to swell the chorus of the Cuban or Spanish victory, which over it may be. A third class, those who are Spaniards by birth or akin to them in interest, all are of one mind, and who sincerely believe that the United States has a selfish motive in backing the rebels, desire to tear Cuba from the arms of Spain and to adopt her as her own child. They cannot be convinced that the United States cares for Cuba except to annex and conquer and tax her. The action of congress would thus explain itself to them, and in no other way.

Captain General Weyler has taken measures to protect the American consulate in this city, though with great discretion he has done so without calling attention to the fact. This was done through abundant caution, though no demonstration was feared against the consulate, because the suppression of the facts might tend to lead thereto.

The Spanish colony in the city of Mexico have called expressions of sympathy to General Weyler and of protest against the charges made against him in the United States. The Queen Regent has called her congratulations to Brigadier General Bernal upon his brilliant engagement at Maney. The venerable mother of General Calisto Garcia, who was arrested in New York in connection with the Bermuda expedition, left Havana to-day on board the steamer Olive for Florida. Senora Garcia is 75 years old, and her life is not safe here. General Prats and Arduos report having fought the force under Maximo Gomez yesterday at Havana, on the borders of Matanzas province, including the band of Laceret and others. These forces, the official report says, were routed and the insurgent leader, Castillo wounded seriously. Twenty-five prisoners of war arrived in Havana to-day.

London, Mar. 5.—The Times publishes a dispatch from Madrid, saying the

French ambassador at Madrid has submitted proposals for a large loan and the support of France on the Cuban question in return for commercial concessions by Spain, and her promise that she will not contract other alliances and give guarantees concerning future French naval operations on the coast of Spain. Prime Minister Canovas del Castillo conferred with the opposition. A Paris syndicate will take £25,000,000 of Cuban bonds held by Spain, the latter granting a prolonged concession of Spanish railways to French holders.

MONEY IN SCRUBBING.

A Buffalo Char Woman Dies Worth Over \$30,000.

Buffalo, March 5.—Mrs. Sarah Donovan, a scrub woman living in a back room cottage on Blossom alley, died recently, and her will, offered for probate to-day, shows she was worth over \$30,000. After her death a tin box full of money of all denominations was found hidden in the mattress of her bed. This was not included in the inventory, which accompanied the petition for probate.

DEBATE WANING.

Interest in the Great Remedial Bill Debate Rapidly Flagging at Ottawa.

The Leaders Having Spoken, no One Wants to Hear the Small Fry.

Ottawa, Mar. 5.—At the public accounts committee to-day Lt. Col. Panet stated that the report from H. E. Secretan for inspecting the military stores along with J. C. Patterson in 1894, had not reached the department until January 1895. The report came from Winnipeg from Lieut. Gov. Patterson addressed to the present minister of militia. The amount paid Secretan was \$649. His engagement was kept secret and the checks were made out in Mr. Patterson's name and then endorsed to Secretan. There was nothing in the reports which was not known to the department before they were made.

Ottawa, March 5.—(Press Dispatch)—There was a marked falling off in the public interest on the remedial bill debate in the house yesterday, and even the members listened to the speeches with a languidness that indicated that they attached importance only to what the leaders had to say. Messrs. Foster and McCarthy perhaps are the only two men who can arouse enthusiasm again and their speeches will be awaited with much expectancy. The fight on the second reading will be short and sharp, and will not last so long as at first expected. Mr. Edgar continued the debate yesterday. He spoke in justification of Mr. Laurier's policy of inquiry, contending that the government had taken action solely on the allegations of one side, and without giving the claims of the other the slightest consideration. Caron followed and spoke for three hours. His speech was rambling, and devoted principally to a recital of the Manitoba School Act in order to establish that the schools are Protestant. He said he heard it stated that Laurier had stolen McCarthy's position as leader of the ultra-Protestants of Ontario.

Geoffrey French, Liberal, denounced the bill because it did not go far enough. He complained particularly because there was no provision for collecting legislative grants. Anyot, French Conservative, replied, claiming that the bill was ample to secure justice to the minority. If it was found faulty it could be amended from time to time. Laverne, French Liberal, supported the policy of inquiry, but favored remedial legislation if justice was not ultimately given. He said he distrusted the government bill was only a ruse to bridge over the elections. The law, if passed, would never be enforced by this government or that of Manitoba. Col. Masson contended that the government was acting strictly in accordance with the demands of his constituents.

It is rumored here that Caron will be appointed high commissioner to England. In Montreal it is stated that Sir Donald A. Smith will get the post if he wants it. Mr. Weldon's committee on conciliation waited on Sir Mackenzie Bowell and Sir Charles Tupper, and urged them not to stand on nice points of etiquette, but send for Mr. Greenway to settle the school question.

The imperial federation league went out of existence yesterday, being merged into the recently organized British Empire league. The league affirms its faith in the preferential trade idea. Col. Denison, of Toronto, was elected president.

EXHIBITION OF CHILD PLAY.

People Vent Spite by Burning the Flag of Each Other's Nation.

Leadville, Colo., March 5.—There was intense excitement in this city last night when the news was received of the burning of the American flag by the Spanish. The news came while the local festivities of Irish day were in full blast, and the report spread like wild-fire. Hundreds of people quickly assembled in front of the Herald-Democrat office. There was some difficulty in securing a flag of Spain, but finally one was discovered in the stock of a dry goods merchant. The crowd quickly found kindling wood and the emblem of the Castilian was laid on it. The wood was ignited and while the crowd sang "America" and "Columbia," the flag of Spain was consumed to ashes.

—Men's Mackintosh coats \$12. Gilmore & McCandless.

ITALIAN UPROAR.

The Italian Ministry, Responding to the Popular Clamor, Has Resigned Office.

And Their Resignation Has Been Accepted by King Umberto—Confusion Reigns.

A Report That the Blandering General Barattero Had Suicided Unfounded.

Rome, Mar. 5.—Savage excitement throughout Italy shows little signs of abatement. The disturbances caused by the news of the great disaster and the consequent display of indignation against the government have been greatly increased by the calling out of the army reserve of class 1872, which calls 80,000 additional men into active service. The majority of these reserves are married men whose families will be thus deprived of their chief or only support for an indefinite period. Thus, at Milan and other places, serious rioting has occurred where the reservists were preparing to obey orders, and in many cases it was prevented by force, the women and children leading the agitation. Railroad cars have been demolished, rails torn up, telegraph wires cut, the police beaten and stoned into helplessness. Soldiers have been attacked and bayonets freely used, men and women, frenzied with rage, throwing themselves on the naked steel of the troops. A large number of arrests have been made. Everywhere the troops are either confined to the barracks or occupying the streets. Night has been turned into day by torchlight processions, indignation meetings and riotous demonstrations in the public squares and in front of the municipal and public buildings.

This is a summary of what has occurred in a greater or lesser degree at Milan, Florence, Turin, Como, Verriera, Belluno, Lodi, Verona, Parma, Bergamo, Naples, Brescia, Venice, Bergamo, Palermo, Cernusco, Catania, and almost any other town mentionable. The agitation has spread to the country districts and from all sides come accounts of rioting and indignation protests, bitter denunciations and loud cries for vengeance, upon those who are responsible for the terrible reverse of the Italian army. The report that Gen. Barattero committed suicide turns out to be incorrect, but it would seem as if it would be the best thing he could have done under the circumstances, for, if the darker and darker reports which are reaching Rome from Massovian are substantiated, he will have great difficulty in escaping capital sentence after a court martial.

After the neighborhood of the chamber of deputies had been cleared by the police and troops, large crowds of people marched through the streets headed by the leftist deputy, shouting, "Down with the government," "Down with Crispi," and other violent cries. The police and carabinieri made an attempt to disperse them and much disorder followed.

Rome, March 5.—The ministry announced their resignation in the chamber of deputies to-day and Premier Crispi said it had been accepted by the king. In spite of the strong force of troops and police present about the chamber of deputies today, it was with difficulty that order was maintained. The chamber was crowded, and around the building every now and again cries were raised, "Down with the government," "Death to Barattero," etc., while from the galleries, previous to the entry of the ministers, a number of persons were ejected by the police for offering similar cries. Almost immediately after the appearance of the premier, who was greeted with cheering by some of his supporters and by cries of derision from his opponents, he announced that the cabinet had resigned and that the king had accepted their resignation. The announcement was followed by loud cheering, which was heard by the crowds outside, and being understood was taken up and repeated far and wide.

Premier Crispi, when he was again able to make himself heard, added that "the ministers will remain at their posts until their successors are appointed." More cheers and shouts of disapproval followed this statement, after which the president of the chamber asked that the house adjourn until the crown had decided upon the successors to the ministers who had just announced their resignations. This was agreed to, despite the protests of the Leftists who said the government should be impeached, as the public were entitled to know who was responsible for the disaster in Abyssinia, and there was no excuse for not making known to the public all the facts in possession of the ministers.

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WEYLER THREATENS

That if America Recognizes Insurgents Her Interests in Cuba Will Suffer.

No More Proclamations—Maceo Reported Wounded—The Spanish Foreign Minister Resigns.

New York, March 5.—A special to the world from Havana says: Captain-General Weyler, the commander-in-chief, said yesterday: "I have no information from the government of Madrid upon its views, and I will not therefore discuss a subject of such extremely diplomatic importance."

"I will, however, say that a nation which I always supposed to be friendly to Spain has taken steps, through its congress, to recognize as honorable enemies people who burn, steal and destroy; who hang a peaceful citizen for attempting to pursue his lawful business (the referred to the case of Ulacla, who was hanged by the insurgents at Tivito). I cannot understand the sentiments which led the United States congress to do what is done. If recognition of belligerency is formally declared, the rights of protection by the legal rights of the United States will be lost. There are extensive American interests here, and if the United States recognizes the rebels they relieve my government and myself from responsibility."

A special to the World from Havana says:

The state of public feeling in the United States on the Cuban question, and the general indignation excited by Gen. Weyler's first announcement of his new plans no doubt explains the non-appearance of another proclamation, which was to have been issued late in February. Gen. Weyler was advised from Washington that the announcement of his plans had excited much sympathy for Cuba and that another proclamation would be likely to hasten action by the American congress. Gen. Weyler has apparently acted on this advice, and while he has not deviated from the policy he first announced he has given up conducting his campaign by proclamations.

The Herald this morning says: Dr. Joaquin Castillo has been appointed chancellor of the Cuban legation in America. The appointment was made by Tomas Estrada Palma, president of the revolutionary party of Cuba. Mr. Palma has had more work than he could personally attend to and he requested Dr. Castillo to remain in this country and take charge of the junta's work in this city, while Mr. Palma will devote his time to diplomatic matters in Washington.

Dr. Castillo was educated in Paris and came to this country in 1878. He graduated at the University of Pennsylvania. Before the United States naval board Dr. Castillo passed a high competitive examination, and was detailed to the United States steamer Wabash, in Boston. He volunteered his services as surgeon on the Rodgers, which went in search of the Jeannette expedition. He served eighteen months in the Arctic seas, assisted in the rescue of the Jeannette survivors and returned to this city.

Rafael Portuondo, secretary of state of the republic of Cuba, has received cipher dispatches which announce the safe arrival in Cuba of four expeditions, which have sailed from different American ports during February. The urgent necessity of ammunition in the insurgent army, particularly those of Gomez and Maceo, induced Secretary Portuondo to make arrangements for the departure of several small expeditions to sail from southern ports of the United States. The first left this country February 4, carrying 250 rifles and 170,000 rounds of ammunition. Accompanying the expedition were seventeen men. The second expedition left February 7 with 150 rifles, 153,000 cartridges and twelve men; the third left on February 12 with 250 rifles and twenty men. The fourth sailed on February 16, and carried 10 rifles and 80,000 rounds of ammunition, ten men. Each of these expeditions, it is said, landed on different parts of the Cuban coast, three on the south coast and the fourth on the north shore.

Havana, March 5.—A dispatch from Guines, province of Havana, says the insurgent leaders Maceo and Castillo are wounded.

Madrid, March 5.—Minister of Foreign Affairs, Senor Elduayen, has resigned, owing to ill health. The Duke of Tetuan, who resigned the office of minister of foreign affairs on January 18, owing to the recall of his friend, Marshal De Campos, from Cuba, will resume that portfolio. An opinion prevails in official circles that President Cleveland will not approve of the Cuban resolutions adopted by the United States congress. Gen. Weyler in a cablegram on the question of American intervention, says he hopes it will not be necessary to resort to extreme measures.

Port Tampa, March 5.—The schooner S. E. Mallory was last night seized by a revenue cutter, heavily loaded with arms and ammunition. She is owned by Finlayson & Cottrell, the latter collector of the port of Cedar Keys. Mallory had a crew of five Americans aboard, who impart no information as to their intentions, except that their destination is Fort Meyers. Collector Lindsey thinks nothing can be done and that the boat must be released tomorrow as she has violated no law whatever. The Mallory's papers are regular and clear from Cedar Keys to Fort Meyers. Deputy U. S. Marshal Donald McKay, now in charge of her, says that a party of seventy-five men embarked on the schooner Ardott on Sunday night at Gadsden Point, eight miles away, but this is not verified.

The bluebird is hailed as a harbinger of spring. It is also a reminder that a blood purifier is needed to prepare the system for the debilitating weather to come. Listen and you will hear the birds singing: "Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla in March, April, May."

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CONSPIRATORS ACQUITTED.

Morrow and Underwood, Hawaiian Political Prisoners, Set Free.

San Francisco, Mar. 5.—The steamer ship Australia has arrived from Honolulu, bringing the news that Morrow and Underwood, the men charged with conspiracy to restore the queen to the throne, were acquitted.

FLOOD VERSUS FLANAGAN.

Flood Falsified Flanagan, Consequently Flanagan was Flogged by Flood.

Richmond, Va., March 5.—Senator Flood entered the senate chamber yesterday afternoon, and walking up to Senator Flanagan, belabored him over the head with a cane, inflicting painful, though not dangerous wounds. The assault was provoked by the fact that Flanagan a day or two ago said on the floor of the senate that Flood had falsified him.

AN UNFINISHED LYNCHING.

Masked Men String a Prisoner Up and Afterwards Release Him.

Perry, O. T., March 4.—News has reached here that about 2 o'clock yesterday morning a large band of masked men rode into Tecumseh county and took from jail Jake McLaughlin, arrested some weeks ago for the murder of John and Jacob Mann, two old American property men who were the legal rights of protection by the United States will be lost. There are extensive American interests here, and if the United States recognizes the rebels they relieve my government and myself from responsibility."

PANAMA WON'T CONSOLIDATE.

The Officials of the Company Deny Any Scheme to Amalgamate.

New York, March 5.—A dispatch from Paris to the Herald says: The secretary of the Panama Canal Company is distributing to the press the following: The new Panama canal company is not engaged in any negotiations with the Nicaragua company. The project of consolidation has no foundation. Mr. Bartlett has not seen any officers of the company.

The Herald publishes a letter signed by the same secretary to M. Bremond Vergaude, head of the group of French capitalists who made the preliminary contract with Mr. Bartlett. The letter says:

"Vergaude communication of February 24, addressed to the president and directors of the Panama canal company, was discussed by the board. It was also a certified copy of the contract furnished by Vergaude. The board rejected it mainly on the ground that it looked to the building of the Nicaragua canal, while they wanted to complete the Panama canal."

The contract shows that it was made between Mr. Bartlett, representing the Maritime Canal Company of Nicaragua, the Northern Finance Company, of New Jersey, and the Nicaragua company, on one side, and Vergaude, representing the French group, on the other side. It is provided that the Nicaragua company pay 65,000,000 francs cash for the Panama route and give in addition one-half of the share capital of the maritime company, namely, 250,000,000 francs, the shares to be distributed among the present holders of Panama bonds.

The contract, among other conditions, provided, in notification of the directors of the Bartlett company and fifteen days after such notification, that there be issued by the Maritime company, namely, \$150,000,000, and one-half the share capital. The board of directors to be composed of an equal number of French and Americans. Vergaude claims to be a heavy holder of Panama securities and he intimates that they will appeal directly to the owners of the bonds, who are in favor of fusing the two companies.

NAPOLEON AS A GAMBLER.

Lord Holland relates in his memoirs how once the military career of Napoleon, and thereafter to a certain extent the fate of Europe, depended upon a game of hazard.

When Napoleon was appointed for the first time an independent commanding general of the Italian army, the director of the bank of France was not willing, or perhaps not able, to provide enough money to defray the expenses of himself and his lieutenants as commanders of war and make a proper show as commanding general of so considerable an army at his headquarters. Napoleon borrowed money from his friends and after exhausting all his credit succeeded in collecting 20,000 francs.

He gave the whole amount to Junot, a young officer who was known as a frequent visitor to the gaming tables, with instructions to lose the whole sum at the game, or win enough to return the amount doubled, as upon the result would depend whether he could accept the appointment as commander-in-chief of the Italian forces, and also appoint Junot as his adjutant, a step which he already contemplated.

Junot went as ordered. Napoleon waited almost the whole night for his return. Finally, at 4 o'clock in the morning, the officer returned and gave Napoleon 65,000 francs, with the remark that he gambled away nearly the whole sum of 20,000 francs before he had at last succeeded in winning several high stakes in succession.

Then Napoleon accepted the appointment which was destined to confer the highest glory upon him. Junot became one of his marshals.

CONSUMPTION OF CHAMPAGNE.

Some statistics have been published relating to the annual consumption of champagne in the world. A Paris letter to the London Telegraph says that a rough estimate it is calculated that a rough estimate of 1,000,000 bottles of the sparkling wine are drunk every year. England leads the list of countries with the greatest consumption, followed by America, though whether this is due to the fact that the United States alone or the whole of the two divisions of the continent is not stated. France, at one time, was well to the fore, but it is stated that the recent financial troubles there have had an effect on the consumption of the effervescent beverage. The Russians have always had a partiality for champagne, but France, on the contrary, hardly wets her lips with it. Some one has, however, questioned the genuineness of the champagne that is quaffed in such quantities by the English and Americans. All is not gold that glistens, and it may also be that champagne bottles do not contain the real article.

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SALVATION ARMY

First Step in the New Movement Taken at Chicago and Newark Last Night.

American Brigadiers Propose to Remain Faithful to the Venerable Commander.

Chicago, March 5.—A dispatch from New York says: The Salvation Army has longer presents a solid front. There are serious defections toward the new religious movement to be led by Ballington Booth and his wife. The movement received impetus last night at Sea Cliff, when the local corps there, the first to rebel against Gen. Booth, held a rousing meeting independent of army authority. The seceders telegraphed Ballington Booth, assuring him of their devotion to him. A telegram to Commissioner Eva Booth at the same time severed all connection with the international army. At Syracuse the local army corps has refused longer to obey orders from headquarters, and a letter has been sent to Col. Eddie asking him to resign and go back to England. A collection amounting to \$1,200 was taken up to be forwarded to Commander Booth. Corps No. 2 of the army at Newark also took a definite stand against the international headquarters by refusing to sell the War Cry.

Cincinnati, March 5.—Brig. Corzow of the Salvation Army in this city, says: "The story that all the brigadiers except one in the Salvation Army in this country are English is not true. On the contrary, with the possible exception of Brig. Gen. Evans of New York, all the brigadiers in the army in America are naturalized citizens of the United States. Only four are English—Evans of New York, Evans of Philadelphia, French of St. Louis and Sully of Kansas City. Fielding of Chicago is an Ohioan and was a member of the national guard present at the court-martial in Cincinnati in 1884. Brewer of Boston is also American born. Keppel of San Francisco was born in Ireland. Halls of Buffalo is of German birth. Corzow is a French Huguenot. He says those of English proclivities are most favorable to Ballington Booth. Those of American tendencies propose to stand by the guns under the old general."

AN ACCOMPLISHED ELEPHANT.

An interesting elephant has just arrived at the Zoo at Central Park. She is named the "Duchess," probably because she is so highly educated, so well bred.

When the "Duchess" mingles with the best elephantine society she shows her breeding at her meals. She kneels before a table, and with her prehensile trunk delicately conveys her food from the mahogany to her mouth. When she has expressed her appetite, the "Duchess" daintily wipes her mouth with a napkin. Once, in a moment of forgetfulness, she swallowed the napkin. But her digestion is good. The mean fish-bell, the "Duchess" rings a bell that her keeper may take away the dishes. And until he removes the dishes she rings the bell.

When the "Duchess" is in a merry mood she stands on her head and kicks her legs in the air. Or she will creep like a baby or sit up on her hind legs and beg like a trained dog. She hobbles along on three legs, holding up the fourth as if it were crippled. If you have been properly introduced the "Duchess" will kneel and let you seat yourself on her broad and noble brow. Then she will gently rise and walk off with you. When you wish to alight, the "Duchess" will gradually extend her trunk and assist you to the ground. She walks over Snyder's prostrate form, carefully lifting her massive legs, whose weight would crush him. With true feminine curiosity she will search for anything hidden in her cage, and usually finds it. But the "Duchess" is proudest of her dancing. She trips the heavy fantastic with the grace of a skit dancer. Snyder is usually her partner.

"A crick in the back," a pain under the shoulder-blades, water brash, indigestion, and constipation, are symptoms of disordered stomach, kidneys, liver, and bowels. For all ailments originating in a derangement of these organs, take Ayer's Pills.

SOLID FACTS.

No matter how great a man may be, there's always a nutting grater. No matter how often actresses may quarrel, before going on the stage they'll always "make up." No matter how badly a man may want a "pure lining" on the races, he doesn't want a "tip" while out in a boat. No matter how blue or downhearted a man may feel, let him get on a Broadway car, and he'll feel better. No matter how "muddy in love" a man may be, if the object of his affections doesn't care for him, he'll "find her out" if he will persist in calling. No matter how sick a fat man may be, he always looks "fatter." No matter how good natured a hen may be, she sometimes gets "set in her ways." No matter how often we go to the butcher to get fat, we don't always get stout. No matter how often a hen may roost, she can never be a rooster.

Good digestion means good appetite, but what's the use without good teeth? Use Odorona for your teeth; it not only prevents decay, but preserves them permanently.

The best value for your money at Shore's Hardware.

TO PROCURE SLEEP AT WILL.

There are few things more wearisome than to lie awake through the night and listen to the chiming of one hour after the other. Those who are unable to sleep may care to try the following suggestions, which have been given as a remedy for sleeplessness, says the London Leader:

Turn over on the right side, settle the head comfortably on the pillow, slightly close the lips and take a full inspiration, breathing as much as possible through the nostrils. The lungs are then left to their own action—that is, the respiration is to be neither accelerated nor retarded. Now fix the attention upon the action engaged in, the sleeper depicting that she sees the breath passing from her nostrils in a continuous stream. The very instant that she brings her mind to conceive this, apart from all other ideas, consciousness and memory will depart. Imagination slumbers, fancy becomes dormant, thought subdues. It is said that the instant the mind is brought to the contemplation of a single sensation the hypnotic faculty steps in to oblige.

An experienced doctor says that clamping the head on the top just where the nerves are centered, will encourage sleep.

—See the prize puzzle in the window at Shore's Hardware, 57 Johnson St. •

MAHARAJAH KRISHNARAJAH.

Maharajah Krishnarajah Wagaray Bahadar is the official title of the Hindu boy not ten years of age who is the king of India, and his late father, whom he has succeeded to the throne, was known as the "model prince of India." The young rajah is being prepared for the lofty position he will occupy with great solicitude. He has English and native tutors, who will turn out a prince and a pundit in his studies. During his minority the affairs of the province are conducted by his mother and his late father's minister, Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer, as co-regents. The youthful maharajah was visited by Lord Elgin, viceroy of India, and the occasion was celebrated with much eclat. The title fellow is an apt scholar and speaks English as fluently as any boy of his age. In his studies he is as far advanced as boys four or five years his senior would be in this country. He is modest, but reliable well that he is a trifle more important than anybody else in his neighborhood.—Chicago Times-Herald.



Weak and Nervous

Whenever the body has been weakened by disease, it should be built up by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Read this:

"About two years ago I suffered with a very severe attack of inflammation of the bowels. When I began to recover I was in a very weak and nervous condition, and suffered intensely with neuralgia pains in my head, which caused loss of sleep, and having no appetite."

Became Very Thin and weak. Fortunately a friend who had used Hood's Sarsaparilla with great benefit, kindly recommended me to try it. I did so and a perfect cure has been effected. I am now as well as I ever was, and I would not be without Hood's Sarsaparilla in my house for anything." Mrs. G. KERN, 243 Manning Ave., Toronto, Ont.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Is the Only True Blood Purifier

Prominently in the public eye today.

Hood's Pills easy to buy, easy to take, easy in effect.

Cutting Teeth

Talk about school teachers' cut, look at

Dental Work at One-Half the Usual Price FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.

The prices at which I am now offering my work are such that every man, woman and child in Victoria can have their teeth attended to these hard times.

Very best set of teeth	\$10 00
Pivot teeth	5 00
Gold filling	3 00
Amalgam filling	1 00
Cement filling	1 00
Extracting teeth	50
Children's teeth	25
Cleaning teeth	1 00

The very best workmanship and material guaranteed.

Dr. H. P. MOODY, (Graduate of Philadelphia Dental College.) Cor. Yates & Broad Sts., Victoria, B. C.

To those who cannot find the time during the day, I am prepared by the aid of the Electric Reflector to operate just as well at night, giving everyone a chance.

THE GARRICK'S HEAD,

Boston Street, has been reopened by the undersigned, where he will dispense the best of wines, liquors and cigars. OYSTERS COCKTAILS a specialty. Visitors can depend upon polite service.

R. J. JOHNSON, Victoria, Feb. 5, 1896.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to construct a road as follows: Commencing at southern boundary of Lot 13, Range 1, west, Salt Spring Island, thence southerly through Lots 12, 11, 10, to northern boundary of Lot 9, thence east to lake, thence southerly to southern boundary of said Lot, thence west to Staff road.

Salt Spring Island, B. C., March 2nd, 1896.

Wm. A. A. LANGLEY.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the matter of the Winding Up Act, and in the matter of the British Columbia Paper Company, Limited Liability.

Pursuant to the order made herein the 30th day of January, 1896, a meeting of the creditors of and contributors to this Company will be held at the Chamber Court, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March, 1896, at 11 a. m., for the purpose of ascertaining their respective claims as to the winding up of this company.

(Sd.) B. H. TIRWHITT DRAKE, Dated this 26th day of February, 1896.

Notice.

After this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Annie Taylor, except by my written order.

G. G. TAYLOR, Victoria, B. C., Feb. 22, 1896.

Notice.

Estate of Jessie S. Brown, deceased.

All persons having claims against the above estate are requested to present the same on or before the 20th April next, to the undersigned.

THORNTON FELL, 50 Langley St., Solicitor for the Executor, Victoria, 20th Feb., 1896.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Licensing Court at its next sitting for a transfer to James Williams, of Victoria, of my license to sell wines and liquors upon the premises known as the "Regent Saloon," situate on the corner of Broad and Yates streets, Victoria City.

W. C. BURNS, Dated this 11th day of February, 1896.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Licensing Court at its next sitting for a transfer to George Tribe and Henry J. O'Leary, of Victoria, of my license to sell wines and liquors upon the premises known as the New York Hotel Bar, situate on Lot 428 on the south side of Yates street, Victoria City.

JOHNSON, Dated this 27th day of January, 1896.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the City of Victoria for a transfer of the license held by us to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the "Regent Saloon," situate on the south-west corner of Johnson and Douglas streets, Victoria, to Frederick M. Kettler, of the City of Victoria.

SWITZER & MCCLUSKEY, Victoria, B. C., Jan. 14th, 1896.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, I shall apply for a transfer of the license now held by me to sell spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at The Hall, situate at No. 129 Fort Street, to Joseph Carpenter.

JAMES McCANDLISH, Victoria, B. C., Jan. 9, 1896.

TENDERS.

FOR.

Hardware, Stoves, Plumbing Material, Tinware, Etc.

Tenders will be received until 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 12th, 1896, for the stock-in-trade, fixtures, etc., of Perry & Turner, 42 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

B. S. ODDY, Assignee.

To Builders, etc.

Tenders will be received on behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty until 10 a.m. of Monday, March 9th, 1896, for slating roofs and renewing verandahs of offices and quarters of Chief Boatwain and Carpenter at the Naval Yard.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Assistant Civil Engineer in this yard.

Tenders to be endorsed "Works" and addressed to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. H. LOBB, Naval Storekeeper, Esquimalt Yard, March 2, 1896.

ESTABLISHED 1884.

VICTORIA LOAN OFFICE,

133 GOVERNMENT ST.

MONEY TO LOAN

On any approved security. Business strictly confidential.

Private entrance, Pandora street.

F. Landsberg, Prop.

P. O. Box 696.

Notice.

Belleville Street, between McClure Street and Birdcage Walk is closed to Public traffic.

R. J. JOHNSON, City Engineer.

SOCIETIES.

B. C. PIONEER SOCIETY. The Hall of the above society in Newgate Block, 2nd street, is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the convenience of the Pioneer and their friends, who are cordially invited to visit the rooms.

VETERINARY.

S. F. TOLMIE, VETERINARY SURGEON. Graduate Ont. Vet. Col., Member Ont. Vet. Med. Soc. (late with Dr. John Wende, V.M., Buffalo, N.Y.). Office at Bray's Livery, 100 Johnson street. Telephone 182; residence telephone 417, Victoria, B. C.

SCAVENGERS.

JULIUS WEST, GENERAL SCAVENGER, successor to John Dougherty. Yards and cesspools cleaned, contracts made for removing earth, etc. All orders left with James Bell & Co., Fort street, grocers; Cochran & Muir, corner of Yates and Douglas streets, will be promptly attended to. Residence, 50 Vancouver street. Telephone 180.

WANTS.

WANTED—A first-class dining room girl. Apply Hotel Wilson.

INFORMATION WANTED—Of William Henry Lee, a native of the Township of Marlborough, Ont., aged about 30; H. I. or 2 in.; formerly wore dark brown hair and dark eyes. He was last heard from, about eight years ago, while in British Columbia. His brother is anxious to correspond with him. Address JAMES LEE, Almonte, Ont. N.S.-L-d-w

WANTED—Partners and builders to leave their orders at Shore's hardware store, 57 Johnson street. d-c2-17

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—175 acres land fronting on E. & N. railroad. Partly crown grant. Apply to John A. Taylor, Particulars apply. m-1-1w

FOR SALE—A BARGAIN—7 roomed house, a good stable, and 2 acres of land, on the Cedar Hill road. This property will be sold for \$700. A. W. Moore & Co., agents, 70 Douglas street.

FOR SALE—Small black mare, 6 years old, new blanket, harness, whip, robe and new saddle and bridle. Apply H. Bray, Johnson street.

FARM FOR SALE—The North East 20 acres of Section 13, Range 4 East, South Saanich District. The East Saanich road runs through the land. There are on the property a new dwelling house 18 x 12 x 20 ft., and a stable 20 x 14 ft. 14 feet high in the post. Also 8 acres are cleared with a good deal of cedar. Distance from Victoria 10 miles. The road is a mile from the house with good road to the district well settled. School house a little over a mile. The house is within reasonable distance. Great quantity of new creamery being established within half a mile. Half cash; balance on mortgage up to 5 years, to suit the purchaser. Enquire of Messrs. Greese & Co., Solicitors, at Temple Building, or to A. N. Richards, owner of the property, St. Charles Street, Victoria, B. C. f-c2-1m

TO LET.

FOR RENT—Eight-roomed house; bath room and s.c. (connected with sewers). Two large lots, also shrubs, hedge, fruit trees; on Menzies street car line; occupation let April. Apply Dalby & Claxton, 64 Yates street. f-c2-1w

LOST OR FOUND.

FOUND—A lady's box. Apply at Y. M. C. A. m-3-1

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEAP FEED FOR DOGS—M. R. Smith & Co make a special Blend for Dogs. In bags 50c and \$1.00 each. Ask your grocer for them. f-c2-1w

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PIANOFOORTE TUNING, regulating and repairing.—Old pianos made equal to new. All kinds of musical instruments properly regulated and repaired. The undersigned having had many years of practical experience in this business, published all the Goodwin piano materials for making pianos; can be found at his workshop, No. 38 1-2 Government street, up stairs. All orders put on my note will be carefully attended to, or at Lombard's or Fletcher's music stores. James Sheel, dan. f-d

A & W. WILSON

PLUMBERS AND GASSPITTERS. 361 Brevinere and Tinsmiths. Dealers in best description of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc. Estimates given at lowest rates. Broad street, 715. B. C. Tel. hour call 715.

JEWELERS, ETC.

WALTHAM WATCHES, \$5

In sterling nickel cases guaranteed for five years.

S. A. STODDART.

The New Watchmaker and Jeweller, 68 1-2 YATES STREET.

Cleans Watches thoroughly for 75c. New Main Spring, 75c. Balance and Pallet Staffs, \$1.25. And guarantees all work for 12 months. Practical experience of over 25 years.

UNDERTAKERS.

CHAS. HAYWARD

(Established 1907.)

Funeral Director and Embalmer

Government Street, Victoria.

The recent cut by the School Board of Teachers' salaries, and the reductions in the incomes of our Civic Officials, have not the keen appreciation of those interested.

The Feeling Among our Townspeople

is quite unfavorable to the change. While we deplore the fact that existing circumstances demand a saving, we are not blind to the ultimate outcome.

In

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY.

Wednesday, March 4.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock, prayers being read by the Rev. Ralph W. Trotter.

Petitions were presented by Mr. McGregor and Mr. Walker in favor of the Alhambra Water, Electric & Telephone Co. bill and praying that the bill be passed.

Mr. Williams moved that an order of this house be passed for a return showing, in detail, the amount of money charged as travelling and incidental expenses during the last year by members of the provincial cabinet and members of the civil service and employees, giving names of such ministers and employees, and the amounts in detail expended by each and paid by the government. Passed.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS.

Mr. Sward asked the hon. the chief commissioner of lands and works for what reason did the government reserve 480,000 acres at the south-east corner of the province on 12th August, 1890, and 240,000 acres at Elk river, Mitchell Creek and Coal Creek in East Kootenay, on 25th February, 1897?

Hon. Mr. Martin replied: For government purposes in connection with the railway reserve.

Mr. Walker asked the hon. the attorney-general: 1. Is the government aware that County Court Judge Bole is at present absent from the province, and that he has gone to Ottawa? 2. When did he go, and did he obtain leave of absence before going? If so, is the government aware of when he left and whether he is absent on business connected with his judicial duties? 3. Who is providing the inhabitants of New Westminster and Vancouver with judicial service in his absence? 4. Does he intend to return?

Hon. Mr. Elberts replied that the government are aware that Judge Bole has been out of the province, but they have no information, except through the press, of his present address. On February he requested leave of absence for three weeks to attend to urgent private business and leave was granted in so far as the provincial government was concerned. It was stated that Mr. Justice McCreight would attend to Judge Bole's duties in his absence. He was informed that the judge would be back in Westminster to-morrow.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The following bills were passed a third time: New Westminster and Burrard Inlet Telephone Company; Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company; and the British Columbia Southern Railway Company.

The house then went into committee on the Columbia & Western railway bill. Mr. Forster in the chair, and a long discussion ensued in the course of which amendments were proposed and lost. Mr. Williams eventually moved to insert the following, and on the discussion of this the committee rose and reported progress:

Provided, that in the event of the road to Pentiction not being completed within two years from the date of this act coming into force, at any time prior to completion of such road to Pentiction, that then and in such event it shall be lawful for any other company now or hereafter incorporated for the construction of a railway from, at or near Pentiction to Trail, or within twenty miles thereof, to construct such railway from Pentiction, or any point near thereto, and to join and unite such railway with the Columbia & Western railway at any point on its route, and upon the lands of such latter railway, with power to use the road, stations and terminals of such latter road from such point to Trail or any other point on said road as such other company may desire, with right to receive and discharge passengers and freight along the line of the said Columbia & Western railway, on such terms and subject to such compensation for such use and powers as respective companies may mutually agree upon, and in default of such agreement, such terms and compensation shall be determined by arbitrators, to be appointed according to the provisions of the "Common law" procedure act, 1854, such terms and compensation to be fixed immediately upon any company as aforesaid giving notice after expiration of such two years to said Columbia & Western Railway Company of its intention to take advantage of this provision.

Hon. Mr. Turner presented a petition from the municipal council of Kaslo protesting against the proposed tax on the output of mines.

The Ashcroft & Cariboo railway bill was committed and subsequently reported complete with amendments.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Sward—For a return showing for what reason 480,000 acres were reserved in the south-east corner of the province, and 240,000 at Elk river, Mitchell Creek and Coal Creek, in East Kootenay; what the government purposes in connection with the railway reserves, and what the railway reserves were referred to in the hon. the chief commissioner's answer to a question on the 4th March; also the authority under which such reserves were made.

Hon. Col. Baker—To move on consideration report on education act, amendment bill to insert the following in place of the present section on the same subject: "Any person, being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, who is a resident householder or a resident freeholder in a school district, and who is otherwise qualified by this act to vote at any election of school trustees in the said school district, and the wife of such householder or freeholder, shall be eligible to be elected or to serve as a school trustee; provided always, that the wife of an acting school trustee shall not be eligible for election."

Hon. Col. Baker—To introduce a bill intituled "An Act relating to gold and other minerals, excepting coal."

All last winter Mr. George A. Mills, of Lebanon, Conn., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. At times it was so severe that he could not stand, an straight, but was drawn over on one side. "I tried different remedies without receiving relief," he says, "until about six months ago I bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. After using it for three days my rheumatism was gone and has not returned since." For sale by all druggists; Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

A TOUGH JOURNEY.

Taking the Mail Across the Divide to the Yukon.

T. Constantine Healy, manager of the Yukon Express and Transportation Co., writes from Dyea under date of February 17, to the Alaska Searchlight:

As you know we left Juneau on December 16th and after being delayed on the way to some extent reached here on the 18th. Making final preparations as rapidly as possible we started for the Summit on the 20th as expected, but owing to some dissension among the natives concerning rates of packing we had our outfit freighted to head of canyon by Healy & Wilson's pack train, and then offered the natives \$15 per hundred pounds to Summit, a distance of six miles. The weather, which was nothing but a continued severe and blustering that they did not care to take the job, so between head of canon and Sheep camp we put in our time till the middle of January trying to move our outfit. The weather was severe during all this time and we had but two days that we could work at all. One of our dogs was poisoned and the other one, while starting back to the Post from the camp, was frozen to death. Finally by hard work we got our outfit to Stone House. Mr. Gasch got his feet badly frozen. On February 1st we managed to induce the Indians to pack, offering them \$6 per

that they have a trail broken for them and they have the Yukon Express and Transportation Company to thank for the same. In regard to parties going up the White Pass and Skagway route, from news sifted from Indian reports, at date of writing, the Goldsmith party is camped this side of the Summit of that pass. How the party of seven, calling themselves the Alaska Mining Co., who went that way, are going to move their eight tons of freight, which it is reported they have, without horses or other assistance, seems to be a question.

TO INCREASE THE HEIGHT.

A French Idea Which Adds Several Inches to the Stature.

Science has done much for suffering humanity; but up to the present it has held out no hope to the small man; it failed utterly to add even a fraction of an inch to his stature. And yet there lives not a hundred miles from the New York city hall a man who can accomplish this miracle; and to his elegantly furnished flat back hundreds of those who want to rise suddenly in the world. There is nothing of the magician about the "height increaser"—to give him an apt but rather clumsy title; and his methods are likewise prosaic to a degree. He holds the patent for making specially shaped cork blocks, which are covered with dark yellow plush,

FRANCE'S NEW POSTAGE STAMP.

The new French postage stamp will be the starting point of a new development in philately. When the French government declared last year to have a new stamp, an open competition was formed, but first-rate artists did not respond, and the result was a lamentable failure. M. Lebon then took it upon himself to apply to M. Grasset, the French decorator and engraver. The latter says the London Daily News, has worked for eight months at his design, which has been approved by M. Mesurier, the successor of L. Lebon at the Commerce Department.

France, or the French Republic, is represented by the figure of a girl or very young woman of noble and winning appearance. The face is three-quarters profile. The large eye, wide open, is expressive of spirit, intellect and action. The mouth is refined, and the profile pure in style. The shoulders are protected by a plate of armor, and the body is dressed in a plated robe, leaving the arms bare. The left hand in front holds an olive branch, and the right hand rests upon a sword, indicative of the state of armed peace of the end of the nineteenth century. In the top right corner a shield, about one-third or rather less, of the length and breadth of the stamp, bears the value in old-fashioned figures. A scroll on the top bears the word "Postes," and another scroll at the bottom "Republique

QUEER CONTRADICTIONS.

The Toronto Mail and Empire, the chief organ of the Ottawa government, solemnly states editorially that the letter of Bishop Cameron was written by his lordship to a barrister in North Sydney, and not to any clergyman. This statement will be a great shock to the Antigonish Casket, which has already stated with solemnity, that the letter was written to a clergyman. The Halifax Herald, however, states that the letter was never written at all.

Some zealous friends of Sir Charles Tupper now state that he made his wealth by judicious investments. Sir Charles, however, has stated that he amassed it by his medical practice. He also stated some years ago, when accepting the office of high commissioner, that he entered public life a poor man, and was then retiring a poor man, or in other words that he had no wealth. We therefore have these three explanations in his behalf:

Question. How did you make your wealth?

Answer No. 1. By judicious investments.

Answer No. 2. By my profession.

Answer No. 3. I have no wealth.

The final question naturally arises— which of his untruths are we to believe? "You pays yer taxes and takes yer choice."—Halifax Chronicle.

AUCTION SALES.

JOSHUA DAVIES AUCTIONEER.

Will Sell by Public Auction on

Saturday, April 11th, 1896.

At his Sale Room, Bastion Square, at 12 o'clock noon, all the property and franchises as a going concern of the

Victoria Electric Ry & Lighting Company, LIMITED.

For full particulars apply to MESSRS. McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD, SOLICITORS, Board of Trade Building, Bastion Square, Victoria.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

JOSHUA DAVIES AUCTIONEER.

CUSTOMS, CANADA.

I have received instructions from A. R. Miles, C.M.G., Collector of Customs of the Port of Victoria, to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION SEIZED GOODS

For infraction of the customs laws.

No. 184—Watches and chains.
185—Tobacco.
188—Whalebone.
194—Brandy.
199—Silk Goods.
197—Silk Jackets.
198—Wines.

ABANDONED GOODS.

Cards, mats, baskets, cigarettes, patent medicines, handkerchiefs, blue serge, 1 gambling game.
Particulars, with date of sale, Tuesday, m2 JOSHUA DAVIES, Auctioneer.

AMUSEMENTS

VICTORIA THEATRE. OPERA SEASON.

3 Nights and Matinee, March 9, 10 and 11.

The Fashionable Musical Event of the Year. A Season of Grand Opera.

The Famous Marie

Tavary

Grand Opera Company,

Under the direction of Chas. H. Pratt.
Grand Opera Orchestra. Grand Chorus.
A Complete and Perfect Ensemble.

REPERTOIRE

Monday Night, Cavalleria-Rusticana and Lucia.

Tuesday Night, Mignon.

Wednesday Matinee, Carmen.

Wednesday Night, Les Huguenots.

PRICES—\$3, \$2, \$1.50 and \$1. Gallery, 75c. and 50c. Seats now on sale at Jamieson's.



"WHAT WILL THE HARVEST BE?"

100 pounds from Stone House to the Summit, a distance of one mile.

At Big Rock, on the other side of the Summit, Mr. Gasch and I had goodbye to Mr. Stewart and native and started out for this side. We reached the place where we had pitched our camp at the head of the canon, had our supper and were complimenting our selves on finally getting terms across the range, when about 8 o'clock in the evening the Indian appeared surprising us very much. His statement was that a north wind had sprung up which the dogs were unable to face. Mr. Stewart tried to persuade him to go on to timber line with the outfit but he refused and kept continually shouting, "Mahma loose! Mahma loose!" and holding his hands over his face which was freezing. He finally turned back. Stewart was compelled to do the same, after piling the outfit so that it could be found. It was 11 p.m. when Mr. Stewart arrived in our camp and it was indeed a pleasant surprise as he was so far behind the native that we had almost given him up. He had his ear and fingers badly frozen and Joe, the native, had his face frozen.

After holding council Mr. Gasch and myself returned to Healy & Wilson's post that night. Here we found Harry Davis, whose services were immediately secured, bought another dog from one of the natives, and started out to try the Summit again. Messrs. Davis and Stewart and Joe the native got over the Summit on the 23rd and are now on their way down the lakes, as the Indians report, going good on the other side.

This is only giving you a simple outline of our difficulties. The wilderness got into our cache at Stone House and carried off all our dog food as well as a Winchester rifle. With this and much other bad luck you can judge what kind of humor we are in. We wish you and the people to understand that we backed the Summit of the range from December 20th to February 2nd. We did as well as any men could do and better than a great many, finally succeeding. We are trying to do the people of the Yukon valley a service in giving them a regular mail route. We shall not be caught again as we were this winter as we are going to have caches made at regular intervals of seventy or eighty miles all along the river which will enable us to travel much lighter.

I would like to state for the benefit of miners going to the Yukon this spring

and inserted in the boots of those who wish to breathe at a greater altitude. These blocks are composed of layers of cork, and are rounded nicely to fit the bottom of the human foot, they are made in sizes, of course, and will raise the wearer from one-half an inch to three inches.

Persons who want to be full three inches taller, however, cannot wear ordinary boots, for the excellent reason that the latter would not close over a three inch pad of "height increaser." For such aspiring folks, a special pair of boots, with very capacious insteps, is made, and for these about \$9 is charged. A pair of half-inch pads would cost \$2, while for a three-inch pair more than \$5 is asked. Very few of the latter are made, the sizes most in request being those between one-half an inch and two inches. The profit on these things, of course, is enormous. The idea originated in France.

Not the least interesting part of this business is that criminals use the pads in order to effectively add to a disguise which shall baffle the police. Many actors use them when playing the part of a very tall man; and one is surprised to learn that there are very many persons of both sexes in society, in the professions, and even in far humbler walks of life who "are not what they seem," at any rate, in point of stature.

If you had taken two of Carter's Little Liver Pills before you had had taste in the mouth in the morning. Keep a vial with you for occasional use.

Miss Manhattan—Have you noticed how extremely contented Miss Beacon Hill is? Miss Lenox—No, dear. Is she? She is. She's so literary that she only takes bacon and lamb for luncheon.

Wayworn Watson—Why, what you running? Did she set the dog on you? Perry Zettell—No, dear. But she set me out a whole half chicken, bread, butter, jelly, and a pack of cigarettes. I bet she wants to marry me.

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Rain today, sleet to-morrow, and bitter cold and windy the day after. How can a person dress to keep comfortable? It might seem impossible without Rigby's Proofer-Fibre Chamoles, which is absolutely water-proof, no degree of moisture can penetrate it; it is also perfectly wind-proof, giving a healthful warmth, and at the same time it is so light in weight that its pressure is not felt on mild days. Have some in your coats.

France." A feature of the new stamp is that it is printed in two impressions full and mezzo-tint, white spaces furnishing a third value. The style is archaic, and, he it said without offense, rather German, the manner being not unlike Albert Dürer. The treatment has never been adopted before in postage stamps, which were either inspired from medals, like the old English penny stamp, or reduced from photographs from Academy pictures, like the centennial American stamps.

THE YOUNGEST PEERESS.

Queen Victoria, according to the Official Gazette, has elevated a little sixteen months old girl to the rank of a peeress of the realm. It is probably the first occasion that a consort has been conferred upon a girl of such tender age, and not a member of the reigning house. The new peeress of the realm is the tiny daughter of the late Lord Beaumont, and in future she will be known as Baroness Beaumont. Strictly speaking, and to use the heraldic phraseology, the peerage conferred upon her is not a new one, but that of her father's and has been "called out of abeyance." But, inasmuch as this "calling out of abeyance" is solely a matter of the pleasure of the Queen, the honor just announced may be regarded as a new creation.

When the late Lord Beaumont was killed a few months ago, he left a little girl, and a few weeks after his death his widow gave birth to another. The arrival of the second little girl had the effect, according to the peculiar laws governing the succession of peerages, of rendering the barony "dormant." And so it would have remained until one or the other of the two girls had died unless the sovereign had made use of her prerogative to call the barony out of abeyance by conferring it on one of the girls. It is so little of a question of succession that her majesty, had she been so disposed, might easily have conferred it upon the younger instead of the elder of the two children.

The little peeress, by the way, descends in a direct and unbroken line from John de Brienne, the last crusader king of Jerusalem.

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The Daily Times.

ABOUT PERCENTAGES.

With no desire to prolong the controversy between the chairman of the school board and the principal of the North Ward school, we print the letter of "Ratepayer" on the question of percentages of reduction of teachers' salaries. That little "tempest in a teapot," we are pleased to think, has been allayed and the "entente cordiale" once again established. "Ratepayer" does not take sides, but simply endeavors to show the actual reductions in the teachers' salaries, leaving it to the reader to determine which of the speakers at the public meeting was in error. The salaries of 36 teachers, the writer states, were reduced, six were increased, and six were not changed. The "cut" in the 26 salaries reduced was over 14 per cent. That, we believe, was the real contention of the teachers at the public meeting.

THE BILL'S CHANCES.

It would appear that the chances of the remedial bill passing its second reading in the house of commons vary day by day. The chances may perhaps arise from the points of view occupied by the Ottawa correspondents when they are engaged in the "counting of noses." At all events, the number of Conservative members who are likely to vote against the bill is reported at one time as 18 and at another as 30, and ranges through the wide space between these extreme figures. On the other hand, one report states that only two French Liberals will vote with the government, while another gives eight as the correct number. But speculation on these points cannot be of great profit, since the matter of the second reading must be decided before very long. Probably Mr. Martin was right when he predicted at Toronto that the government would win in one way or another influence enough of its disturbed supporters to secure the second reading of the measure. But what will come afterwards if this is effected? There are some 112 clauses of the bill, and it will take some length of time to pass all these through committee. There are threats that the anti-remedial Conservative members will endeavor to talk the bill out, which they might easily be able to do if the life of the present parliament comes to an end, as said, on the 25th of April. It must be remembered that the measure has to run the gauntlet of the senate after it passes through the house, and that would take some time though the government's followers in the "upper house" are not likely to make much trouble. And if it secures safe passage through parliament, what will the bill effect? Nobody seems to know, beyond the very evident fact that it will cause plenty of trouble. Archbishop Langevin has stated plainly that he will not accept it as a part of what he wants, a declaration that is pregnant with disquietude to the public. If the bill is passed and the present government is successful at the elections the fight will be kept up year after year until the church authorities get their whole pound of flesh. The great majority of the people will be apt to agree with the opinion of the Winnipeg Free Press, which, after mentioning some proposed solutions of the trouble says:

"A better way is to drop the remedial bill and leave the question to the people of Manitoba themselves. No one disputes the constitutional right of the Federal Parliament to intervene, but every good citizen doubts the expediency of it. It is a serious matter to break in on the autonomy of the province, and it should not be done until evident beyond doubt that all other means have failed. That evidence has not yet manifested itself. The Manitoba government has signified its disposition to consider and deal generously with any grievance that may be shown to exist. It will be better to accept this assurance and act accordingly."

"Ours are not the only school troubles that have disturbed the Dominion. They have had them in all the Maritime Provinces, and not unlike our own. One after the other, in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the minorities have complained of abuses and injustices, and appeals were made to the Federal Parliament for redress. Parliament was not clothed with the same authority to interfere as in the case of Manitoba, but in every instance it refused to take a side and counselled the people of those provinces to settle their differences among themselves. They did so, and every case and now their school affairs are being managed in a manner satisfactory to all concerned. Is it to be said that the people of Manitoba are less capable of arriving at a satisfactory agreement? Even if there were a doubt, it would be better to take the risk of it than to initiate the provincial autonomy and subject us to the irritation of a law that can neither be repealed nor amended."

The Toronto Globe says: "What remains of that historic institution, imprisonment for debt, is now modestly

described as imprisonment for contempt of court in falling to pay. It has been considerably restricted in scope by a recent decision at Osgoode Hall to the effect that a Division Court warrant cannot be executed in any county except that in which it is issued, even if endorsed by the magistrate of another county."

That member of the legislature who insisted that Mrs. Grant had shown herself the only man on the Victoria School Board should be compelled to apologize or suffer dismissal.

Some instances of the freight rate freaks on the part of the Canadian Pacific railway were pointed out at a recent meeting of the Kamloops Board of Trade. Says the report:

"The matter of C. P. R. freight rates was discussed, in the course of which it was pointed out that not only were Kamloops people paying on freight from Eastern Canada the rate to Vancouver plus the haul back, but the local rates were not in proportion to the mileage on the Pacific division, a discrimination being made in favor of Vancouver. It had been found that the rate from Vancouver to Salmon Arm was less than from Vancouver to Kamloops, plus that from Kamloops to Salmon Arm. There was a much greater difference with regard to Revelstoke, so that Kamloops was shut out from doing any trade with the Big Bend or Kootenay. In fact it was at a great disadvantage with relation to any place east of Shuswap or west of Savona. The mileage for freight was also very unfair to Kamloops, as the rate from Kamloops to Ashcroft was calculated at 80 miles, whereas there was only 40 miles of track. The mileage tables were low for those parts of the road from which no freight came, as in the mountain section, while in the Thompson section they were the highest anywhere on the line. Instances were also pointed out where coal was brought from Lethbridge at a lower rate than from Anthracite, 40 miles nearer, while on coal, one car would be charged at \$5.50 per ton and the following shipment would be \$6.75.

"Another instance was mentioned by a merchant where he paid \$200 freight on goods from Glasgow to Vancouver, and \$100 from Vancouver to Kamloops, as the goods had been sent through to take advantage of the rates offered, and both together were but 1/2 cent per hundred more than from Montreal to Kamloops."

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.
To the Editor: Under the above caption, a writer in last Sunday's Colonist, subscribing himself "Books,"—with perhaps some degree of appropriateness—presents a calculation of teachers' salaries, which if not "simply dishonest," is at least misleading. It is he attempts to show that the recent "cut" is only 11%, and not 14% per cent. The following table of monthly salaries shows the exact position of affairs:

HIGH SCHOOL.			
Before the cut.	After the cut.	Per Centage.	
125.00	104.16	16%	
100.00	83.33	16%	
100.00	83.33	16%	
60.00	50.00	16%	
NORTH AND SOUTH WARD AND CENTRAL SCHOOLS.			
Before the cut.	After the cut.	Per Centage.	
100.00	85.00	15%	
80.00	66.66	16%	
75.00	62.50	16%	
65.00	54.16	16%	
60.00	50.00	16%	
55.00	45.83	16%	
50.00	41.66	16%	
40.00	33.33	16%	
30.00	25.00	16%	
VICTORIA WEST.			
Before the cut.	After the cut.	Per Centage.	
90.00	79.16	12%	
70.00	58.33	16%	
55.00	45.83	16%	
40.00	33.33	16%	
30.00	25.00	16%	
SPRING RIDGE.			
Before the cut.	After the cut.	Per Centage.	
80.00	66.66	16%	
50.00	41.66	16%	
40.00	33.33	16%	
30.00	25.00	16%	
ROCK HAY.			
Before the cut.	After the cut.	Per Centage.	
50.00	50.00	0%	
30.00	30.00	0%	

It will be seen by the above that the reductions made were uniformly 16% per cent. of the salaries previously paid, with the exception of the principals of the North Ward, South Ward and Central schools 15 per cent., the principal of the Victoria West school 12 per cent., and the teachers of the Seventh class 8% per cent. Those of the Eighth class raised from \$40 to \$45 per month, and those of the Ninth class remaining at \$30 per month.

In the case of forty-eight teachers it stands thus:
20 salaries reduced 16% per cent.
4 salaries reduced 15 per cent.
1 salary reduced 12 per cent.
5 salaries reduced 8% per cent.
8 salaries raised from \$40 to \$45.
6 salaries remaining at \$30 per month.
This is an exhibit of plain facts, the average cut of the aggregate salaries for the year is considerable over 14 per cent., and in the face of the above showing no person can deny it. Let the public see this statement and judge themselves.
R. H. CHANDLER.
March 4th, 1896.

A PALPABLE FRAUD.
To the Editor: In the Colonist of this morning a correspondent, signing himself "Common Sense," takes in an indirect way the energetic senior member for Cowichan-Alberni to task in regard to an address to the Dominion government in respect to the improvement of the approaches of the Soanias river. The letter itself bears upon the face of it the marks of fraud and deception, inasmuch as the writer (who pretends to have read the debates of the house in Alberni) states that he has read so and so in the Colonist of March 3rd. Can he, residing in Alberni, have seen the issue of March 3rd? No. The Colonist would reach Nanaimo the same date, which would be Tuesday, and day to Alberni. That stage makes Alberni on following day, Wednesday, and returns to Nanaimo on Thursday, and any mail returning from Alberni would reach here Friday noon. How on earth under such circumstances could the communication referred to be published here on Thursday? I understand the whole matter. The Soanias river improvement is a very much needed one and somebody appears to be remarkably "thrift" that the senior member should be alive to the urgent necessities of Alberni. Major, you are on the right track. We have an eye on those who advance our interests.
AN ALBERNI RESIDENT.
Victoria, 5th March, 1896.

DISTINCTIONS MADE.
"Mr. Poirier, the local member for Beauce, has been appointed postmaster at St. Joseph. This will be a great advantage to the people of the Quebec legislature."

To the Editor: It is no doubt still fresh in the memories of your readers, that Mr. J. C. Brown, postmaster at New Westminster, was, about two years ago, compelled, by orders from the Dominion government, to withdraw his candidacy for a seat in the provincial house on the ground that his position as a civil servant was incompatible with his occupying a post in the local legislature. Now, sir, if such is the law or custom, I would ask how it is that last month Mr. Poirier, member for Beauce county in the Quebec Parliament, was appointed postmaster of St. Joseph without having to resign his seat.

In this a part of the same policy that pays a letter carrier in Victoria thirty dollars a month while in the city of Quebec the carriers are paid fifty dollars a month, and twice as many are employed?

I would like to know what the controller of inland revenue is about; 50¢ checks must be epidemic in Ottawa this session.
CANADENSIS.

AID TO DAIRYING.

To the Editor: The minister of agriculture, who is also our honored Premier, committed a most unfortunate blunder in bringing down a "Bill to Aid Creameries" without having first fully considered the matter, and made himself sure of the best method of rendering such aid; and in consequence having to refer the matter to a committee of the house; by this means, almost, if not altogether, binding the government to stand by any recommendation such committee would make. The thing is unfortunate simply because that committee has reported in favor of the most objectionable method that could possibly have been recommended. I have been for some months making an earnest endeavor to assist the people of North and South Victoria to some idea of the benefits that "creams" established in some central or convenient place where it might be made not only in the districts named, but in the whole of the province.

Because of this connection with the subject, I have attained to a certain modicum of knowledge in regard to it, and am they may be, so that if possible, I would help to prevent the provincial government acquiescing in, and finally doing a thing that is likely to bring out once and for all the industry which the government essays to help. The committee to whom the great trust the matter reports that the greatest benefit will be likely to be done, and the best assistance given, through the government being empowered to loan to co-operators of the necessary capital, for the purchase of land, erection of creamery buildings thereon, and purchase and setting up of machinery and apparatus; such capital to be repaid at the rate of five per cent. per annum, and repayable in one, two and three years, the government meanwhile holding a first mortgage on land, buildings and machinery, apparatus and stock. And the precaution necessary to be observed on the part of the government is that the milk of three hundred cows shall be guaranteed.

If this precedent is established, and our legislature can be got to sanction the principle involved in such method of aiding industries, I presume that persons other than those named, will be equally important to the province, and that the committee have proved to be enemies rather than friends to himself and his cabinet. An industry that is to be fostered in so despicable a way as the one proposed, had a thousand times over better never be established in British Columbia.

Enough could be said against the recommendation of the committee to fill your paper. There is nothing to be said in its favor. Let me speak for one moment, rather in regard to the industry itself, than recommendation. There is now but one "creamery" of any size or importance within the province. The stockholders will, I have reason to believe, gladly sell out their whole interest in this enterprise to the government for a considerable less than seventy-five per cent. of what it has cost them; and yet, the creamery in question is well equipped, has modern machinery, and stands in the midst of a community of people who are not only farmers, but are business people as well.

The stockholders in the Delta creamery are fortunately men raised above the necessity of mortgaging their land, stock and apparatus to any government; but, nevertheless, I think I may safely say that an offer of 60 per cent. might buy the whole concern. I may be mistaken, but I am told that no dividend has yet been paid by the Delta Creamery Association, nor is it likely that one will be paid for years to come, and the stockholders do not even anticipate such five per cent. interest on the money invested. If the government had loaned seventy-five per cent. on that, I cannot avoid the inference, that the government might soon be running the business. I want no reflection on the creamery business; it can and will have a healthy development, without government aid. Nor do I wish for one moment to cast any reflection on the good people of Ladner; I merely desire to use the business which they have so commendably tried to establish, to demonstrate the futility of the committee's recommendation.

Does the provincial government desire to own and run creameries? If so, and every factory established here, there, and everywhere, throughout the province? Does it want to develop the butter industry, and by its own act to crush it? Does it desire to loan the people's money to one industry, and refuse to loan it to another? Does it wish to deplete the treasury, and provide for the future (as creamery inspectors for a friend) and sink the people's money where neither principal nor interest will ever be paid or repaid; then let it adopt the committee's suggestion. The Premier is quite too sanguine to be caught in such a trap.

No more of this situation could be administered to any young industry, than the province lending to it seventy-five per cent. of its cost.
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A BLACK FOREST WEDDING.

It is a large square room with plastered walls, and unadorned, except by two or three coarse colored prints. It is only furnished with a number of long trestle tables and forms, and round these tables are crowded the wedding guests, stolidly and continuously eating enormous cherry tarts and drinking wine. There is nothing festive about them, and they are not beautiful to behold. The women are dressed in an ugly fashion; they wear black bonnets and short black skirts, plaited into an astounding thickness at the waist, and some of them have hideous tight-fitting black silk caps, tied closely under their chin with wide black strings. It would take a very pretty woman to stand the effect of this costume, and the requisite amount of beauty is not forthcoming in X. But the bride and her bridesmaids (about fifty in number) are more gorgeously arrayed, inasmuch as they wear crowns—monstrous erections of glass beads, glittering balls, artificial flowers, and bits of tinsel, all fixed upon a cardboard foundation that towers a good foot and a half in height, and overshadow the wearer's head and face. It is wonderful how they can bear the weight of them. Some of the men are in pleasant costume and some in ordinary dress; there is little of the picturesque maintenance of our imagination.—Cornhill Magazine.

A CYNICAL VIEW OF SOUTH AMERICA.

We fancy that Chiffaux has not wept out tears over the knifing to death in Valparaiso of American sailors, and the attitude of Brazil toward American insurance companies is hardly in consonance with the Monroe doctrine now on exhibit at Rio Janeiro. The South American brother is happy because he has found his big brother willing to expose his cause against Europe in case of need. He will continue to sell all he can to the American people, or to harass them with stupidly vexatious laws, and to buy all he wants in Europe rather than in New York. It looks to us as if professions of friendship in South America for the United States favor largely of self-interest, and that of the most prosaic sort. Uncle Sam will need to go down deep into his purse and to run up his taxes, if he is to essay the role of continental protector. He will spend his money by hundreds of millions for the rather empty glory of standing before the world as the guardian of the Americas. And the first time that he has to displace one of his wards, the old dialle of the Anglo-Saxon will crop out, and he will be roundly abused and the statues of Monroe and Washington will be pulled down and the enthusiastic delirium of nations, who will welcome unlimited protection, and be very glad to see the American people paying the military bill, but will not accept in any humble way, or even reasonable terms of aid, a remonstrance from the White House. Mr. Cleveland has assumed the part of Hemispherical Great Father, and has croaked a storm of approbation from Guatemala to Patagonia, but it would take very little to turn those realistic minds into abject hissing and virtuous abuse.—Mexico News.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

The City of Kingston will leave Victoria at 8:30 p. m. instead of 9 a. m. next Sunday.

The opposition central committee rooms are now located in the Balmoral Block, Douglas street.

At Saturday night's entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. hall, the famous painting, "Christ Before Pilate" will be placed on exhibition.

The British and Foreign Bible Society will hold its annual meeting in the Metropolitan Methodist church at 8 p. m. next Tuesday evening.

A meeting of the school trustees will be held next Tuesday evening, when the communications between Chairman Hayward and Principal McNeill, of the North Ward school, will be read and final action taken.

The one thousand mile world's record, held by the Oar bicycle, was won (on a regular stock wheel) by J. F. Gunter in 4 days, 17 hours 35 minutes. Take no chances in '96. Call agency at 55 Johnson street.

Messrs. Ball will give their pleasing entertainment, "Songs, Scenes and Sketches of the Sunny South," under the auspices of the Royal Templars of Temperance in Sir William Wallace hall next Tuesday evening.

There was a large attendance at the concert given in the Reformed Episcopal church last evening under the direction of Prof. Bradley. The entertainment was a very pleasant one, the programme being as already published.

The evening performances of the Taviary Grand Opera Company are announced to begin promptly at 8 o'clock each night, whether all people are in or not. This is necessary in order to get out at eleven, as the operas are all long.

The Third Victoria Company, Boys' Brigade, connected with St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, assisted by a number of their friends, will give an entertainment, consisting of drill, music and comedy, in the school room of the church on Wednesday evening, March 11.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Piaggio took place yesterday afternoon from Haywards' undertaking parlors and St. Andrew's R. C. Cathedral where the services were conducted by Rev. Father Nicolay. The pallbearers were H. Cogan, M. Gelardi, N. Bercei, J. Sauer, N. Jordan and E. Sketch.

The final performance of "Hermione" was given by the Smith-Lieb Co. in the A. D. J. W. Hall last evening and to-night the bill will be changed to the "Violin Maker of Cremona," a curtain raiser, and the "Arabian Nights." The cast for the latter is as follows: Arthur Hummingbird, Mr. Carl Smith; Ralph Omerod, Mr. Francis Yale; Joshua Gilliland, Mr. Frederic Taylor; Dobson, Mr. Francis Nelson; Miss Hummingbird, Miss Josephine French; Mrs. Gilliland, Miss Mattie Foley; Daisy Maitland, Miss Essie Fisher; Rosa, Colombar, Miss Beatrice Lieb.

The story told by the two fishermen, Melrose and Paveh, to the effect that they were inhumanly treated by officers of the deckyard at Esquimalt on Sunday last seems to be almost entirely without foundation. The Times learns on the very best authority that the men were not ordered to put to sea in the face of a raging gale, but on the contrary, did so of their own volition. When their boat upset they were rescued by men from the naval yard and received the kindest of treatment. Their circulation of a false report reflects anything but credit upon them.

Bandmaster J. M. Finn, of the Fifth Regiment Band, has arranged an exceptionally fine programme for next Saturday's concert in the drill hall. The programme is as follows: March—"Broun's Parade"; Cherry Overture—"Pret and Pessant"; Supper Song for Cornet-Folk; "Francis"; Berlin Selection from "Little Christopher Columbus"; "Berlin in Smiles and Tears"; Overture—"Berlin in Smiles and Tears"; Caprice—"Little Chatterbox"; Selection from "Bohemian Girl"; "Ballo Walts"; "Jolly Fellows"; "God Save the Queen."

Rossland Miner: From private sources we learn that the people of Victoria have gone crazy on Nest Egg stock. When the first installment of these investors got to Rossland we expected to see them crazier still. The stock has been selling like hot cakes at 10 cents a share, which is equivalent to a valuation of \$50,000 for the property. The most sanguine operator in Rossland never valued this claim at half that amount and as the title to the property is in dispute, no less than three adverse claims having been filed against it, we can see no good reason for this boom. It can

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only result in harm to the whole camp in our opinion.

Chief Crowley, of the San Francisco police force has tendered his resignation.

John Camp, keeper of an hotel at Sausalito, is to be sent to the asylum. He is now at the Jubilee Hospital. At the city police station there are two lunatic patients, a man and a woman.

The choir of the Centennial Methodist church will give a concert on the evening of Good Friday. The choir will be assisted by a number of the local musicians, and a first class entertainment may be expected.

A meeting of the officers of the fifth B. C. regiment Canadian artillery will be held in the drill shed this evening. To-morrow evening there will be a general meeting when the matter of district stores will be discussed.

Robert Knott, a well known contractor, died at his home, No. 2 South Pandora street, yesterday, after a two weeks' illness. Deceased was 53 years of age and a native of Cornwall England. The funeral will take place to-morrow at 2:30 p.m.

W. J. Palmer, of Willow Beach Farm, Sidney Island, and Mary Jane Smith, youngest daughter of James Smith, contractor, were married yesterday afternoon by Rev. Dr. Campbell, at the residence of the bride's father, 29 Green street. The bridesmaids were Misses Ada and Ellen Palmer, sisters of the groom, Miss M. Field, and the Misses Williams. After luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Palmer left by the four o'clock train for the Victoria & Sidney railway for their home on Sidney Island.

The following Victoria passengers, per steamer City of Puebla sailed this morning from San Francisco: W. P. Clark, Miss Johnson, J. D. Blake, Miss L. Carr, Miss J. Nicholls, Mrs. Agnes Barclay, A. Nelson, H. W. Elliott, H. Beckley McCartney, H. W. Schwin, Wm. Lee, G. Miller, L. H. Fallagar, P. Paff, P. Paff, C. J. Johnson, F. N. Manchester, J. Christie, J. C. Preble, Miss J. Vincent, E. Clark and wife, O. Jones, R. McKenzie, Mrs. Arnold, Miss M. Burton.

The reception tendered to the pastor's wife at St. Columba's church, Oak Bay avenue, by the Ladies' Aid of that church on Monday night was a particularly happy one. After a very enjoyable programme of vocal and instrumental music was concluded, the friends through the Ladies' Aid, presented the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Forster with two very handsome tables. After Mr. Forster had, in a neat speech, thanked the friends on behalf of himself and wife, the evening's entertainment was concluded by a good supply of refreshments. The rendering of the piece, "My Day" by Mr. and Mrs. W. Jones and Mr. A. Jones was excellent and called forth hearty applause.

A deal, which has been under negotiation for some time, was closed yesterday afternoon, by which the entire management of the Moodyville Saw Mill Company's business will be assumed by Robert Ward & Co., Ltd. Heretofore this extensive business was in charge of J. Wulfssohn, of Vancouver. As stated in the Times a few days ago, this enterprising firm will open out a branch office in Vancouver, and with this object in view Mr. S. McClure, architect, has been busy preparing plans and specifications for a portion of the Metropolitan Club block, which is to be fitted out in a manner becoming the standing of the firm and the business to be transacted. Mr. J. C. McClure will have charge of the Vancouver offices. The Moodyville saw mill is running to its greatest capacity to supply seven large vessels that are now loading there. Several vessels are also chartered to load there this season and the new managers will keep the mill running day and night.

One of the most interesting kinds of entertainments is now in course of preparation under the direction of a popular musician of this city, to be given on the 25th inst., under the auspices of Peppercorne Lodge, I. O. G. T. The bill, as the ladies and gentlemen who will take part as soloists have not been revealed, each one assuming some old fashioned name as well as an old fashioned costume, and it is hinted that some of the latter will be marvels of the dress-maker's art. The musical selections will be gems of the olden time. Those taking part will include among them some of the best talent the city can produce, and it is safe to say that the rendition of the programme will be faultless. Tickets and programmes will be issued shortly, and like everything else, will be curiosities. The concert will be held in Temperance Hall and as the accommodation is limited, tickets should be procured at once.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

In the county court to-day the Victoria Yacht Club House Association's case against Contractor T. P. West is being tried before Chief Justice Davis and six jurors with Mr. A. J. Weaver Bridgman as foreman. The defendant raised the plaintiff's club house, which had sunk, and had been paid \$100 on account when the house sank again. Plaintiffs now sue for a return of the \$100 and damages, as they employed another contractor to do the work over again. It is contended on behalf of the defendant that plaintiffs interfered with his carrying out the contract as they told him to leave the house as raised until they had settled on some changes they were contemplating. E. Mallandaine, Jr., secretary of the Yacht club, was the first witness. He gave it as his opinion that the house sank the second time because the pontoons were left uncovered and the water getting in caused it to sink. Plans and models prepared by Architect Lawrie were produced and Diver John McHardy was recalled to testify to the condition of the house and surroundings after the house sank the second time. Architect Lawrie is giving his evidence at the time of going to press, and it is not likely that the trial will be finished to-day. Mr. W. H. Langley appears for the plaintiffs and Mr. Irving for the defendants.

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BIG RUSH FOR ALASKA

Steamer City of Topeka Sails This Afternoon With a Large Number of Passengers.

California Sealing Schooner Makes a Good Catch in the South Pacific.

The rush to the Alaska gold fields still continues. The passenger list of the Topeka, which arrived at the outer wharf from the Sound this afternoon, on her way north, is a long one, both her cabin and steerage accommodations being taxed to its full limit by the 200 odd people who are going to seek their fortunes in the far north. People in Seattle, who were unable to secure berths on her this trip have already bought berths for the next voyage in order to make sure that they will be able to go when the next sailing day comes round. Several Victorians who intended going up were refused passage. Among those from here, who bought tickets over a week ago in Seattle, and for whom berths were reserved, were Mr. Cameron of Nanaimo, who is going north to establish a meat market at Cook's Inlet; Messrs. Frank Cryderman, Jackett, Griffin and Johnston. Her freight is a varied collection of everything needed in the mining camps. There are large quantities of dressed meats, provisions, sheet iron and camp stoves, angora goats and lambs, and dogs. The Topeka remained at the outer wharf about an hour, leaving at 4 o'clock. This morning the schooner Stella Erland left Seattle for Alaska with 14 men on board and about 100 tons of merchandise.

The ship Columbia, forced out of the Seattle coal trade by the chartering of the Progress by the Black Diamond Coal company, has been chartered by R. D. Chandler as a coal carrier from Nanaimo to San Francisco.

A dispatch from Santa Cruz announces the arrival there of the sealer Kate and Anna with 391 skins. She will follow the herds north.

The N. P. R. steamer Victoria left Yokohama on the 22nd ult. She carries a big cargo of freight and a number of passengers.

The steamer Mischief, Capt. Foot, will leave for the West Coast on Saturday afternoon. She carries a full cargo of lumber.

MINING TAX.

Kaslo Delegates Arrive in the City to Interview the Government.

Messrs. J. C. Eaton, John Retallack, of Kaslo, and E. N. White, of Spokane, are at the Drinard. They compose the delegation appointed by the citizens of Kaslo to come to Victoria and interview the government regarding the proposed tax on the output of mines. They seem to be at a loss to understand just what the government intend to do. As they read the bill, it proposes to tax the gross output of mines—that is, the ore as it lies on the dump. In introducing the bill, however, the premier said the object was to tax the net output of the mines, that is, a tax on the returns obtained from the smelters, less the cost of mining. "There would be no objection to this," said Mr. Eaton to a Times representative, "but to tax the gross output would be ruinous. There is lots of ore placed on the dump from which no returns are obtained for probably two or three years. I am at present working a mine which I could not work if a tax was placed on the output. On the other hand, nobody would object to paying a fair tax on the net returns, and if the bill had stated this plainly nothing would have been heard about it from the miners of Kootenay."

Mr. Eaton could not see why the bill was not more explicit. "Hon. Mr. Turner's explanation," he said, "was all right, but it would not change the law. Kootenay is now the third revenue producing district of the province. The revenue has increased at a wonderful rate in the last five years, and will increase at a greater rate during the coming five years, if the mining industry is encouraged and fostered and not crushed at one blow. At present there are practically only three scratches in a great mining country, viz., at Nelson, Rossland and Kaslo. There is a large extent of country between these three

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places. Men had gone over this country and found mines, but they had missed some, which other men would find and in time the district will be one great mining camp."

SMUGGLER LOST.

Victoria Sloop Believed to Have Been Wrecked on the Sound.

Edward Latour, a logger from Utsalady, came to the city yesterday morning and reported to Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue Gleason that 150 5-tael cans of opium had been washed on shore near his camp, and that he wished to have an officer come and take possession of it, says the Seattle P. I. Inspector Tom Delany left on the steamer Fairhaven last night and will return to-night with the contraband goods.

From Latour's story it is probable that the opium was the cargo of a small sloop which left Victoria last week, and which is supposed to have been wrecked in the severe storm on Friday night. The sloop came through Deception Pass and from all indications the adventurous smugglers are now at the bottom of the Sound.

When the opium was found it was, as usual in such cases, wrapped up in two sacks, each containing seventy-five cans, many of which were badly dented and in some cases broken. The price of prepared opium on this side is now about \$9 per pound, and as the value of the find will reach about \$1,000, Latour will receive from \$250 to \$500, at the discretion of the Federal judge or the collector. Smuggling, it may be added, has greatly diminished since Collector Saunders came to the Sound district.

CITY POLICE COURT.

Boys and Chinamen Occupy the Attention of the Magistrate.

In the absence of Police Magistrate Macrae from the police court this morning, he being ill, Justice of the Peace Harris and Pearson presided. The only case calling for a decision was that of Ah Sing, charged with stealing a can of coal oil from his employer. He will spend a month doing the chores around the city lock-up. The Chinese theatre case, arising out of a row in the Cormorant street theatre, during which the actors were greeted with antique eggs and stones, was remanded until Tuesday next. This case promises to be another of those long drawn out affairs in which the Chinese use the police court to settle their little differences. The defendants are not represented by lawyers, but the side of the prosecution are two legal gentlemen, Messrs. George E. Powell and Thornton Fell, who are assisted by two interpreters, Rev. J. E. Gardner and Mr. McLean. The prosecution are bitterly fighting the case.

Two of the boys who were connected with the Okell-Morris cannery robbery were up this morning on the charge of breaking windows in an empty house. As Mr. Harris, one of the presiding magistrates is agent for the property, the case was remanded until Monday. A third summons has been issued in connection with the case. Young McInosh, who has been waiting trial for several weeks on the charge of obtaining money under false pretences was also remanded until Monday.

A NEW TUNNELING MACHINE.

An inventor is having built a machine by which he proposes to revolutionize the present methods of tunneling, the capacity of the device for "sawing a tunnel," as claimed, being at the rate of twenty-three feet a day. The apparatus is described as being twelve feet long, four feet wide, and six feet high, and with the fourteen horse-power engine, which runs it, weighs some 6,000 pounds. The principle is that of a circular saw. Sixty drill points attached to each of two wheels, four feet in diameter and eight inches wide, make 600 revolutions per minute. The points are one-half an inch apart, every revolution feeding one-eighth of an inch, and it will "bit" twenty feet of a six by eight tunnel in a day in the hardest rock. The latter, being crushed as fine as wheat grains, is carried to the rear and dumped in a car. The drill points weigh one-fourth of a pound each, last four days, and are kept cool by means of steady streams of water. Three men are required to run the machine.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

NANAIMO.

(From our own correspondent.)

Nanaimo, March 5.—Yesterday morning the steamer Willapa took a number of miners up to Junction en route to the Yukon. They expect to be away three years, and have taken sufficient provisions for that time and also dogs and sleighs to enable them to reach Circle City.

Yesterday Judge Harrison sentenced J. Ulrick, an all-round desperate character, to two and a half years in the penitentiary. The offence with which the prisoner was charged was biting off half the ear of one of his countrymen. The fire department have accepted the proposition made to them by the council and the property will shortly be taken over by the city.

The Nanaimo hospital board are short of funds and appeal to the public for charitable donations.

CHEMAMOUS.

(From our own correspondent.)

Chemamou, March 5.—Since I wrote you last a good many people have arrived in town to work in and about the mill and in the logging camp, and it can be truly said that Chemamou has undergone a great change.

Mrs. E. Turner, of Victoria, has rented the old Chemamou hotel, and will run it as a boarding house, where she will not only board the men who are employed about the mill, but will be able to give good accommodation to the travelling public. She expects to have it open about the 15th inst.

Mr. John McKenzie with a crew of men expects to leave at once for the logging camp, where he will log for the mill company.

W. H. Mackay has had a crew of men at work driving piles and putting the wharf and yard into first class condition to do the biggest business ever done at this place.

Sam Erb has a large force of men at work in the machine shop and the mill, getting everything in readiness to start up about the 1st prox.

T. D. Conway has gone to Montreal on a visit, and will likely return with his daughter, Miss May Conway, who has been spending the winter with friends in the east.

W. E. McCormack, representing J. Percy & Co., passed through here on his way to Kuper Island on Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Smith is visiting Mrs. Turner at the Chemamou hotel.

The steamer Daisy brought in a boom of piles yesterday.

P. J. Pearson went to Victoria yesterday.

Mrs. Frank Wilson has entirely recovered from her illness and returned from Vancouver Sunday last.

Rev. E. Mannell will preach here next Sunday and every subsequent Sunday. He has only come once a fortnight heretofore.

Ed. Barrett, of Nanaimo, paid us a flying visit yesterday.

FORT STEELE.

Fort Steele Prospector.

The North Star Co. have bought the Daffodil from C. E. Edwards.

The tunnel on the International Place property is in 230 feet. In running this distance a ledge of quartz was cut some 24 feet in width, carrying a small amount of copper and gold. The company expect to reach the old channel in about 100 feet.

The tunnel on the Dardenelles is in 130 feet, and the lead is showing up splendidly, it is about five feet in width. An assay was made on some quartz above the main pay streak, the returns showing 19-10 ozs. in gold and 23 ozs. in silver, or a total value of \$52.90 to the ton.

The North Star still continues to take out 30 tons of ore per day.

The contractors engaged in running a tunnel on the Dibble property are in 113 feet. Two leads have been cut out; the first was about three feet in width; the second is a very small one, about twelve inches, and is very rich. The ore is gray copper and chlorides.

Messrs. Smith & Slevor are sinking on the Hamlet. The shaft is down some thirty feet with a large showing of ore. There is a large amount of galena in sight.

The Inveria Gold Mining company has contracted with a California firm for the purchase of three new giants and a large amount of pipe. These are expected at the mine early in the spring. The company last fall completed a dam 60 feet in height. There are three water ditches on this property, the largest carrying 1500 inches of water.

The Nip and Tuck claim has been leased by Mr. J. M. Burton, of Vancouver. It is reported that a new hydraulic mining plant will be put in at an early date.

KAMLOOPS.

Inland Sentinel.

The west bound train due on Monday night at 11 o'clock did not arrive until about the same hour this morning, having been detained by winds and cold weather on the prairie. The thermometer ranged around the forties below in the northwest, and at Donald it was 24 below, the coldest of the winter.

A. Bauman and J. Erickson have for a week or more been working on the Companion mineral claim, located by Bauman and A. G. McDonald on Peterson creek. As they have followed down the ore matter it has widened from 14 inches to two feet, and the rock has a better appearance. The claim is already under bond, the purchasers to do \$200 of work during the summer.

The newly elected range overseers had a meeting on Monday afternoon at the old court house, when the board was organized, and J. T. Edwards was elected chairman, and Jas. Mellors secretary. The question was the chief one discussed, and it was finally decided that an average of 500 sheep should be allowed for each home side land owner on the range. This is considered a fair and satisfactory by those interested in sheep.

At the meeting of the council of the board of trade a memorandum was submitted by J. H. Falconer in reference to the proposed vegetable cannery. The company has been incorporated with an initial capital stock of \$15,000, but this eventually might realize to be enlarged to \$50,000. The assistance asked was the guarantee by the city of 10 per cent. interest on the capital stock for five years on a basis of \$5,000 of 5 per cent. 25 year debentures, which the

company would accept and dispose of. After discussion a letter was filed and a committee appointed to collect information and report to a meeting to be held next Monday evening.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland Miner.

Between licenses and recording fees the miner already pays more taxes than any other individual in the province. The St. Elmo tunnel now shows three feet of rose quartz. This is something quite new in the camp and would appear to be free milling ore, however the owners do not expect this character of ore to be permanent. The chute of solid sulphide ore which was encountered two weeks ago only lasted for a distance of 10 to 12 feet.

The Homestake Gold Mining company Ltd. has let a contract to sink their No. 12 shaft 50 feet.

The Nickel Plate has a larger showing of ore than ever. The grade is still over \$100 per ton.

Paul Gaston, one of the largest stockholders of the Nest Egg Mining Co., Ltd., is in town. He took the first bond on the Nest Egg early last summer, and still pins his faith to the mine. His bond on the Nest Egg was in the sum of \$20,000.

The Josie mine has struck it rich. The No. 1 tunnel is now into the big ore chute from which they made nearly all their shipments on the surface, and the whole face of the drift is ore with only one wall, the hanging, in sight. This ore averages over \$40 per ton in gold, so the Josie can now be put down as a possible competitor with the Le Roi and War Eagle mines for first rank in the camp.

Several cross cuts on the 350 and 450 foot levels in the Le Roi show the vein to be 36 feet wide and all ore. The diamond drills have been driven into the hanging wall on these levels with a uniform result. After traversing from 26 to 28 feet of country rock another parallel vein 22 feet wide has invariably been cut and the core shows this 22 feet of ore to be equal if not greater value than that which is being taken out of the workings. Besides this the diamond drill has proved that the pay chute extends far to the east and west of the present drifts and possibly continues right into the Josie and Centre Star claims. If these facts do not prove the Le Roi the biggest gold mine in the world we would like to know where it is.

The points involved in the agreement between Messrs. Heine and Corbin are these. Certain changes in the line of the tramway through that portion of Nelson & Fort Sheppard land grant adjoining the townsite of Rossland. The construction of a siding at Sayward by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Company for the accommodation of the Trail smelter. Consent on the part of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard company to the building by Mr. Heine of a new steel standard gauge railroad from the east side of the Columbia at Trail to Sayward. A traffic agreement under which a certain share of the business of the Trail smelter shall go to the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and Spokane & Northern railroads.

J. J. Malone of the Tremont house, Nelson, was in Rossland for a couple of days this week. He has lately acquired some interest in the Cariboo creek district and has great faith in the future of that section. He states that Nels Demars, B. C. Reid and Frank Warren have a group of claims on Mineral creek which promise to turn out exceedingly well. The mines are about ten miles from the Columbia river, Mineral creek being a tributary of Cariboo creek which joins the Columbia river in "The Narrows" between the Upper and Lower Arrow lakes.

CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Organization for the Institution of Pure Government.

Representatives from most of the local C. E. societies, Epworth Leagues and temperance organizations, met last night in the First Presbyterian school room. It was decided to form an organization to be known as the "Christian Citizenship League of Victoria, B. C." The objects of the league to be as follows: To make Christian principles operative in public affairs; to prevent by personal effort the nomination and election of corrupt candidates, and the enactment of corrupt laws in the city province and Dominion; to secure fidelity on the part of officers entrusted with the execution of the laws; to exterminate the saloon and to purify and elevate the elective franchise. A constitution was submitted. A meeting will be held on the evening of March 25th for the election of officers.

REMARKABLE BUILDING.

An example of rapid erection of structural iron and steel work for skeleton fireproof buildings is at Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets and Sixth avenue, New York city, the setting of the framework of which was completed Jan. 29. The foundations for the building were delivered complete to Milliken Bros., New York, contractors for the ironwork, on November 1. During November the owners offered the contractors a bonus in consideration of antcipating the contract time requirements for the erection of the framework, including the roof tier complete. Notwithstanding the strike on the building from Nov. 18 to Dec. 18, the contractors were enabled to complete the setting of the last beam, column, bolts, and ties on the roof tier on January 28, the time in which they were to complete this work in order to win the bonus being February 1. Excepting a portion of the columns and beams in the first tier, which were put up by hand owing to the previous incompleteness of the foundations were finally completed deducting the strike period. In this time seven complete tiers of work, amounting to between 7,000 and 8,000 tons of material, have been erected.—Engineering News.

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ART OF GOING TO BED.

Mr. Ernest Hart, D. C. L., is lecturing in London on the "Art of Living." He thinks that at the end of 5,000 years very few of us understand the elementary principles of comfort and health, and then treats what seems the not too complicated subject of going to bed. The management of the bedroom and the art of going to bed would seem to be very simple matters, as to which some rational principles and comfortable and healthy customs might be expected to prevail. Let us see. Take the case of the ordinary well-to-do man. When ready to retire he puts on something which is called a "night gown," a sort of "linen or cotton sack with sleeves, which leaves the lower limbs and feet more or less uncovered, and at once makes man an uncomfortable and ridiculous object. It is the clothing of the primeval savage. If a ridiculous situation is needed, for a farce it is generally created by a night alarm at which the sleepers appear in this ridiculous guise at the bedroom door.

The bed is a ridiculous contrivance, having the worst of all coverings, linen sheets, the foster mothers of rheumatism, and the worst of all materials for contact with the skin. To counteract its effect and increase the misery a heavy superabundant mass of blankets and quilts is imposed, and to prevent any comfortable or free movement of the limbs, these are "tucked in" around the edges, constituting a huge set of swaddling clothes such as only savages now employ even for children. The fire is now generally allowed to become extinct, if ever lighted, and those who have spent their day in warm rooms often spend the night in a chamber in which the temperature is not much above the freezing point, and to mitigate which a complete reclothing of the body is required. The reasonable practice would require first, that for the present hideous and ridiculous night gown, pajamas of various degrees of warmth or thinness should be provided. The present bedstead and bedding should be discarded altogether, and two light eiderdowns like the Indian resai or the Japanese futon should be worn. of a texture suited to the season. Near the couch should be provided a book shelf with the favorite books. For myself, I select old and well known favorites, Montaigne, Essays, Pepys's Diary, Brown's Religio Medici, Pickwick, Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy, a handy pocket Shakespeare and Milton, with Virgil, Homer and Horace. Everybody will make his selection of well-worn, and therefore, not too exciting authors. The couch should be supplied with a convenient headrest, which falls forward at a touch. By the bed should be one lever which controls gas, fire and temperature, and one which controls the light, either a Bunsen bed light or an electric light, as may be most convenient. The room should be kept at a temperature which never falls below 60 degrees, and in another part of it should be placed a long "deck chair," with cushions, to which, if the sleeper grows restless, he can easily transfer himself and repose at any angle. That is how to go to bed rationally, healthily prepared for the emergencies of the night, whether of sleeplessness or household accident.

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The said deed was executed by the said Thomas Haughton and Alfred E. Wescott and John Leander Beckwith on the 14th day of February, 1896.

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